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SUBJECT: US-PRC CULTURAL EXCHANGES

AMERICAN SCHOLARLY DELEGATIONS TO PRC

1. FOLLOWING ARE NAME LISTS OF TWO AMERICAN SCHOLARLY
GROUPS FORMED BY COMMITTEE ON SCHOLARLY COMMUNICATION;
PRC HAS APPROVED DELEGATIONS FOR VISIT TO CHINA BEFORE END
OF YEAR:

ARCHEOLOGY (NOV. 10 - DEC. 9)

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CSC HAS GIVEN BOTH OF THESE NAME LISTS TO PRCLO ABOUT ONE WEEK AGO, IN TIME FOR TSIEN TA-YUNG TO TAKE WITH HIM TO PEKING. (STATE 208690)

2. ALL MEMBERS OF BOTH DELEGATIONS ARE US CITIZENS. CHINESE AS YET HAVE NOT PROVIDED EITHER GROUP WITH ITINERARIES. ARCHEOLOGY GROUP HAS REQUESTED THAT VISITS BE ARRANGED TO CHENGCHOU, CHENGDU, SIAN, LUNGMEN AND TUN-HUANG.

3. CSC BOARD DOES NOT WANT FSO ESCORT FOR EITHER GROUP DESPITE STRONG DEPARTMENT PITCH THAT CONNECTION BETWEEN ARCHEOLOGY GROUP'S TOUR OF CHINA AND INVOLVEMENT WITH CHINESE ARCHEOLOGICAL EXHIBITION SCHEDULED TO COME TO CONFIDENTIAL

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US MAKES FSO ESCORT FOR GROUP HIGHLY DESIRABLE. CSC SAYS BOARD HAS AGREED TO REQUEST THAT FSO BE ADDED TO TWO OF CSC GROUPS PLANNED FOR 1974, BUT HAS NOT DECIDED WHICH GROUPS THESE WILL BE. CSC BOARD REMAINS FIXATED ON BELIEF THAT FSO INVOLVEMENT WITH SUCH DELEGATIONS COMPROMISES IMAGE OF ACADEMIC INDEPENDENCE WHICH THEY WISH TO MAINTAIN.

4. CONVERSELY, PRCLO OFFICERS HAVE EXPRESSED SATISFACTION OVER DEPARTMENT'S APPROVAL OF PRCLO OFFICIAL AS ESCORTS FOR CHINESE DELEGATIONS IN US. PRCLO ESCORTS HAVE ACCOMPANIED BOTH LIBRARIAN AND COMPUTER GROUPS AND PRCLO HAS EXPRESSED DESIRE TO ADD ESCORT OFFICER TO ALL INCOMING PRC DELEGATIONS. PRCLO OFFICERS ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS HAVE ALSO EXPRESSED TO US THEIR ASSUMPTION THAT USG "OF COURSE" WILL PROVIDE ESCORTS FOR ALL USG-FACILITATED DELEGATIONS TO CHINA.

5. WE ARE CONSIDERING RAISING THE ESCORT ISSUE AGAIN WITH CSC AT HIGHER LEVEL. WE ARE UNCERTAIN WHETHER DEPARTMENT OR USLO OFFICERS WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR EITHER OF THE ABOVE DELEGATIONS BUT WE MAY WISH TO ASSERT POSITION THAT USLO SHOULD BE PERMITTED TO ASSIGN ESCORT TO ANY "FACILITATED" DELEGATION IT DESIRES; QUESTION OF ASSIGNING DEPARTMENT ESCORTS ALSO NEEDS REVIEW WITH CSC. IN THIS REGARD, DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE INFORMATION ON AVAILABILITY OF USLO ESCORT FOR EITHER OR BOTH OF THE FORTHCOMING DELEGATIONS AND, IN LIGHT OF PRCLO ATTITUDE HERE, YOUR ASSESSMENT OF PRC ATTITUDE TOWARD USLO OR DEPARTMENT ESCORTS FOR SUCH GROUPS. ADDITIONALLY WE ALSO WOULD LIKE YOUR SPECIFIC ASSESSMENT OF IMPORTANCE OF USG ESCORT FOR ARCHEOLOGICAL DELEGATION IN VIEW OF FORTHCOMING HEAVY USG INVOLVEMENT IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH CHINESE ON ARCHEOLOGICAL EXHIBIT DUE HERE IN LATE 1974; ARCHEOLOGICAL DELEGATION MEMBER THOMAS LAWTON WILL BE FILLING THIS ROLE FOR NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART.

6. BECAUSE OF IMMINENT DEPARTURE DATES FOR BOTH GROUPS, YOUR PROMPT RESPONSE WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

7. FOR HONG KONG: GIVEN SHORTNESS OF TIME AND APPARENT
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COMPLEXITY IN PRC VIEW OF USE OF HONG KONG ESCORTS WE ARE NOT CONSIDERING THAT OPTION FOR THESE DELEGATIONS. KISSINGER

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